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SUBJECT: AGENDA FOR THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF 18

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1. IN ORDER TO AID USG PREPARATIONS FOR FIRST MEETING OF
CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF 18, WE WOULD APPRECIATE APPRAISAL OF
SPECIFIC TOPICS LIKELY TO BE RAISED UNDER AGENDA ITEM

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QUOTE RECENT DIRECTIONS IN TRADE POLICY END QUOTE. WE

WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ADVICE ON SUBJECTS, IF ANY, WHICH
U.S. SHOULD RAISE.

2. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, DG LONG ADVISED US IN OCTOBER 24
CONVERSATION THAT LDC INTERESTS WERE LIKELY TO INCLUDE
STANDSTILL AND THE DC'S APPARENT LACK OF COMMITMENT TO
IMPLEMENTING PART IV OF THE GATT.

3. WE AGREE WITH PARAGRAPH 2 OF REFTTEL THAT THE PROBLEM
OF LDC'S USING ARTICLE XVIII TO AVOID THEIR RESPONSI-
BILITIES IN THE MTN AND THE MFA SHOULD BE DISCUSSED
IN THE TNC AND TEXTILE SURVEILLANCE BODY RESPECTIVELY
AND NOT IN THE GROUP OF 18. (IN GENERAL WE QUESTION THE
APPROPRIATENESS OF RAISING A TECHNICAL ISSUE IN THE GROUP
UNLESS IT IS A PART OF A BROADER POLICY QUESTION WHICH IS

UNDER DISCUSSION.) IF, HOWEVER, THE LDC'S ARE MAKING
REFERENCE TO SECTION B OF ARTICLE XVIII, THE SWISS AND
EC COULD CORRECTLY REQUEST CONSIDERATION OF THE PROBLEM
AS A PART OF THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROCEDURES REVIEW.
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